DEPARTMENT OF BENEFIT PAYMENTS

July 30, 1974

ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 74-145

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: REVISIONS TO ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 74-84

REFERENCE:

In response to questions and comments from counties, it is apparent that clarification of the wording and intent of some of the answers to the Quality Control Forms and Procedures questions listed in the ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 74-84 is needed. The following are the revised answers to those questions:

Is a motor vehicle exempt for work if the recipient does Question #2:

not use the car to get to and from work?

No. (However, this does not exclude the possible exemptions Answer:

applicable under Regulation 42-213.217 to implement an

approved plan of employment or rehabilitation.)

Question #4: What kind of QC error would result from improper claiming

of tax exemptions?

The following position regarding claiming the proper number Comment:

> of income tax exemptions is not intended to modify the AFDC Program Management Branch position on Regulation 44-113.231, but is quality control procedure only. (A manual revision concerning the proper claiming of income tax exemptions is currently undergoing legal review and is scheduled for public

hearing in mid-July 1974.) The following answer will be

changed by this revision when adopted.

If a recipient/applicant employee is claiming at least one Answer:

exemption for income tax purposes in the month of review, the Quality Control Reviewer would consider the case correct and not code it as an error. If a recipient/applicant is claiming zero exemptions for income tax purposes, the case would be

coded "ineligible".

Question #24: Must child care be provided by a facility (person or agency) meeting the applicable State licensing requirements, in order to be allowed as a work-related expense deducted from income or paid through administrative funds when such care is not provided in the recipient's home?

Answer:

If the recipient pays a valid child care expense out of his/her own funds, the allowance of child care as a work-related expense is not dependent upon the child care facility (person or agency) being licensed. If the cost of child care is paid through administrative funds by the county, either directly to the child care facility or to the recipient and not through a work-related expense deducted from income, the facility (person or agency) must be licensed.

Comment:

The issue of child care licensing as it applies to allowable expenses of employment, rehabilitation, or training in AFDC was not intended to refute the licensing requirements for community care facilities established by AB 2262 (Chapter 1203, Statutes of 1973) and related regulations.

Sincerely,

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